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Awaiting Summer



Montana's rest areas are inviting havens of coolness in the heat of summer, when the weary tourist needs a place to relax. This view in winter is less inviting, but it presents a serene landscape under its mantle of snow. There are a total of 40 rest areas completed along Montana's highways, 19 of which are along the Interstate system. There are also scenic turnouts constructed at spectacular points of interest. Many historical signs have been relocated at the rest areas. The brief stops that modern highway rest areas afford give motorists a refreshing lift before driving on.

HYPOTHERMIA CAN KILL

Recently a tragedy occurred on S. H. 21, North of Idaho City. A young mother and two small children were stranded when their car became stuck in fairly heavy snow. As a result the 8-month-old child froze to death, and the mother and 3-year-old suffered exposure and frostbite. A significant contributing factor to the child's death was the mistake of the mother trying to carry her baby and walk for help.

Because the highway department is composed of people with various tastes for winter recreation, and some whose work requires them to

be out in the elements, knowledge of the following subject and material could be a lifesaver.

Hypothermia: What is it? In medicine it is "subnormal body temperatures." Cold kills in two distinct steps:

Step one—Exposure and exhaustion.

The moment your body begins to lose heat faster than it produces it, you are undergoing exposure. Two things happen:

(1) You voluntarily exercise to stay warm.

(2) Your body makes involuntary adjustments to preserve normal temperatures in the vital organs. Either response drains your energy reserves. The only way to stop the drain is to reduce the degree of exposure.

The time to prevent hypothermia is during the period of exposure and gradual exhaustion.

Step Two—Hypothermia.

If exposure continues until your energy reserves are exhausted:

(1) Cold reaches the brain depriving you of judgment and reasoning power. You will not realize this is happening.

(2) You will lose control of your hands.

This is hypothermia. Your internal temperature is sliding downward. Without treatment, this slide leads to stupor, collapse and death.

Your first line of defense: Avoid exposure:

(1) Stay dry—wet clothes lose about 90% of their insulating value. Wool loses less, cotton, down, and synthetics lose more.

(2) Beware of wind—consider the chill factor—a breeze carries heat away from the body. Wind refrigerates wet clothes by evaporating moisture from the surface.

(3) Understand cold—most hypothermia cases develop in air temperatures between 30 and 50 degrees. Most people simply cannot believe such temperatures can be dangerous. They fatally underestimate the danger of being wet at such temperatures.

(4) Use your clothes—put on raingear **before** you get wet. Put on wool clothes before you start shivering.

Your second line of defense:

If you cannot stay dry and warm under existing weather conditions using the clothes you have with you, terminate exposure:

(1) Be brave enough to give up your goal, e.g., climbing, hunting, or whatever, if your life is jeopardized by exposure.

(2) Get out of wind and rain—concentrate on making your camp or retreat as comfortable as possible. Never ignore shivering. Persistent or violent shivering is clear warning that you are on the verge of hypothermia. Forestall exhaustion—make camp while you still have a reserve of energy. You may think you are doing fine when the fact that you are exercising is the only thing preventing your going into hypothermia. If exhaustion forces you to stop, however briefly:

(a) Your rate of body heat production instantly drops by 50% or more.

(b) Violent, incapacitating shivering may begin immediately.

(c) You may slip into hypothermia in a matter of minutes.

Your third line of defense: Detect hypothermia:

If you or others are exposed to wind, cold, and wet, think hypothermia. Watch yourself and others for symptoms:

(1) Uncontrollable fits of shivering.

(2) Vague, slow, slurred speech.

(3) Memory lapses, incoherence.

(4) Immobile, fumbling hands.

(5) Frequent stumbling, lurching gait.

(6) Drowsiness (to sleep is to die).

(7) Apparent exhaustion. Inability to get up after a rest.

Your fourth and last line of defense: Treatment:

Victims of hypothermia may deny they are in trouble. Believe the symptoms, not the patient. Even mild symptoms demand immediate, drastic treatment.

(1) Get victim out of wind and rain.

(2) Strip off all wet clothes.

(3) If victim is only mildly impaired:

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News items of interest to Highway Department employees are invited. They should be given to the correspondents listed above.

WITH THE DIVISIONS

Bozeman

Barbara McGuire

The most prevalent news in the Bozeman division is that it is COLD. Most everyone's thoughts and actions are directed toward keeping warm.

The Special Sectionmen awards were presented at a recent meeting, with George Lemon winning for the "best maintained section site;" Jim Brooks for the "most improved section site;" and, Louis E. Maaek for the "best maintained roads." These special awards were presented by Kenneth Jones.

The annual Christmas party of Local 1621 was held on December 16th at the Baxter Hotel. Dinner was a smorgasbord with dancing afterwards. A good time was had by all.

- (a) Give him warm drinks (non-alcohol).
- (b) Get him into warm, dry clothes or wrap in dry blankets.
- (4) If victim is semi-conscious or worse:
 - (a) Try to keep him awake. Give warm drinks (non-alcohol).
 - (b) Leave him stripped. Put him in sleeping bag or wrapped in blankets with another person (also stripped). If you have a double bag, put the victim between two warmth donors. Skin to skin contact is the most effective treatment.
- (5) If possible, build a fire to help the warming process.

Hypothermia is caused by exposure to cold, aggravated by wet, wind, and exhaustion. It is the number one killer of outdoor recreationists, and it can be just as serious for out-of-doors workmen.

Know the conditions which bring on hypothermia, understand the defenses against it, and do not overestimate one's own ability to combat it, and no one should become its victim.

When in the elements, "Think Hypothermia"—subnormal body temperature.

Billy C. Ford became a grandpa for the third time recently when Doug and Mary Ford became parents of a girl, their first child.

Bus Parmly is recuperating from surgery on his leg. Hope he is back in full swing soon.

Barbara McGuire and family traveled to Denver for the Thanksgiving holiday to visit friends and family. It was a fast trip down but a long, long trip home due to bad, bad weather.

The Barkells will soon be off for their annual trip south for Christmas. It seems odd that they would choose to spend the holidays in the sunny south away from the friends and family but it's all in what turns you on. Here's wishing them a good trip.

Work is planned to start soon on the remodeling of the upstairs in the Bozeman division office into more office space. We aren't envying the workmen because it is like the North Pole up there.

Service awards were presented to Larry Williams for 15 years, Bud Jackson for 25 years and Percy Gates for 20 years. Congratulations.



Kolence

Would you believe it? Martin Kolence just celebrated his first wedding anniversary. Martin was born in Hoffman, Montana, a town which no longer exists but was located near Trail Creek in Rocky Canyon. Martin graduated from high school after only nine years of schooling. That should tell you he has a lot on the ball. Martin has 15 years service with the Department and is an instrumentman. He has two daughters who are grown and live out of state. Martin is an outdoorsman at heart and enjoys hunting and fishing tremendously.

European Tour Plans

Charter Flight to Europe

Planners of the next charter flight to Europe have released their latest information on dates of departure and fee schedules. The flight is sponsored by the Montana Credit Unions League, and is being coordinated by Joe Kintli, utilities unit.

Departure is scheduled for July 21, 1973 and the flight will return August 17. The roundtrip airfare is \$272 per person for Plan A, or \$942 for Plan B, which is airfare plus a nine-country tour of Europe.

The flight will be via World Airways on a 183 passenger Boeing 707 jet.

The itinerary of the tour will include Belgium, Germany, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Austria, Italy, France, England, and Holland. The plane departs from Great Falls for Brussels, and on the return departs from Brussels for Great Falls.

Further information about the tour may be received by writing Montana Credit Union Charter Flights, P.O. Box 703, Helena, Mt. 59601.

Sing While You Drive

At 45 miles per hour, sing—"Highways are Happy Ways."

At 55 miles per hour, sing—"I'm But a Stranger Here, Heaven is my Home."

At 65 miles per hour, sing—"Nearer My God to Thee."

At 75 miles per hour, sing—"When the Roll is Called Up Yonder, I'll Be There."

At 85 miles per hour, sing—"Lord, I'm Coming Home!"

—From the Calvin Synod Herald

WITH THE DIVISIONS

Kalispell

—Bob Finley—

The annual Christmas party was all we had hoped and a bit more—however, someone got messing around with the butter or something and Mother Nature showed us “it’s not nice to fool with Mother Nature.” The outcome was a veritable tornado from the polar regions and the party broke up shortly after the wonderful meal. Some hangers-on withstood the blizzard and the loss of all electrical power and the remainder of the eve was spent via candlelight. With no amplifiers, the music consisted mainly of drum solos and Jerry (Big Bear) Roat gave the impression of a complete conga line all by himself in the weird light of the tapers . . . the shadows were something else.

With the advent of the cold, some new hirsute physiognomies are beginning to appear in the division. Sporting the new vermin collectors are Larry Johnson and Howard Kyriess with gross lip dusters, and Bob Finley is again displaying a Van Dyke for his part in “The Man from La-Mancha.”

Many of the local nimrods are chewing on fattened larders. Al Fopp, Jack Decker, J. Keithley, N. Hanson, H. Kyriess, Dennis Foy, Al Lang, Jerry Lee, Arnie Mohl, Don Butts, Herb Hegg all have a supply of venison jerky or pemmican for the winter months. Arnie Mohl, Don Butts and Jack Hunt have supplemented this with wapiti. Don Komanda and Jerry Lee are wiping moose fat off their lips.

Al Fopp should winter pretty good as he has dowried off two daughters this year. Linda, the latest to be married, is now living in Germany where her husband is stationed in his service career.

Gary (Blow the Man Down) Jones is now an underneath man with his new pickup that is half-way between an antique and something Sanford and Son would be interested in. Trying to keep up with the Jones boy, Dan Tombrink is sporting a spanking new product of the Chevy assembly line.

Prior to the long freezeup period the pomp and politics of ribbon cut-

ting took place. Civic dignitaries were prevalent at both the courthouse couplet and overpass in Columbia Falls. An abundance of engineers were also present at both places even down to the sanitary engineer of one of the churches at the courthouse couplet ceremonies.

In the hail and farewell department we welcome Laurence Chezick from Great Falls and bid fond adieus to Glen Brown in the form of ice cream and cake upon his return to the Havre division.

In the diaper derby, Robert Nau and wife are proud parents of a baby boy whom they branded Dustin.

In the BTHOOM (Beats the Heck Out of Me) department, Ray Munsinger has taken to botany and is bringing in lunch buckets full of leaf specimens.

In the health department, Don Komanda of the Marion section fell and injured his back and will be laid up for a couple of moons.

In the travel department the seasonal migration to be with progeny and vice versa is already under motion. Mel Mumbower and spouse are flying to Detroit to see their daughter Carol; Al Land and Daisy are going to Fort Ord, California to see their son and family; Marvel Nichol and husband accompanied by brother and sister-in-law will drive to Denver to visit son Gene; and their daughter will fly in from Oklahoma and meet them for the Yuletide festivities. Tom Barnard is going to Hinsdale to be with his family. For those who are unfamiliar with Hinsdale it is a suburb of Fargo, according to my news reporter.

In the *cherchez l'homme* department we attempted to interview the boys who keep the pass open all winter, but they are all busier than one-armed paperhangers with the itch. Some of the alumni of the summit, Marshall Beatty and Earl McLaughlin gave us some rather vivid accounts of what the boys are going through and Sherman would have to modify his statement about war if he were ever stationed there. Will chat with these dedicated fellows at some later date but want them to know they may feel forgotten and alone, but are truly appreciated by everyone.

Did manage to corner another boy who is on the go, and if the sketch appears brief and incomplete, it is again for lack of time on his part.



Seelye

Most of the people in the western sector are familiar with Al Seelye, our competent tube tester, who keeps us on the air. Al was raised in North Dakota along with three brothers. The family moved to the Flathead valley in 1948. Prior to his hitch with the state, Al worked for the TV center in Kalispell for four years, and was the service manager at Gambles for several years. After three years in the Navy, Al attended a radio technology school in Seattle. He has been with the Department for 14 years. His duties consist of maintaining all mobile, mountaintop repeater and base stations that lie west of the Continental Divide. He also maintains all the highway patrol communications and radar equipment. His family consists of wife, Doris, who drives a school bus; daughter Sharon is married and resides in Portland; Melody attends a Bible school near Billings, and Tim is a junior in Flathead High School. All the family attend the Central Bible Church and Al has been a councilman for many years. Like most natives, his hobbies are hunting and fishing and he is also an accomplished builder, having remodeled one house and recently built another. I am sure all of you are familiar with this busy fellow with the sparkling eyes and quick smile, who always finds time to say “howdy,” a solid citizen of the community and a guy I am proud to have as a friend, and the Department can be proud to have in the ranks. It will be a great loss if Al ever has to “sign off.”

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In the service awards department Robert McKenzie received his twenty year pin and that is a long time to be plowing, sanding and patching. Pat Taylor, the voice of KOA 552, received her ten year pin. It is a pleasant thought to know that she is back with us again and hope to hear her charming voice and the inimitable laughter for many years to come.

Billings

James Young

Terry Klimper, a senior at Billings Senior High School, was named offensive guard of the 2nd All-State Team this year. Terry is a great football player on both offense and defense and has played several positions for Senior High. He is the son of C. W. "Chuck" Klimper, division supervisor-construction section.



Penny

Penny Rae Marston, clerk typist I, is our new employee. Penny attended high school in Roman and Billings Business College in Billings before coming to work for the Department of Highways. She married Doug Marston September 30, 1972. Penny enjoys sewing as a hobby.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Contre-raz, a son, Thomas Patrick, on November 22, at St. Vincents Hospital, weighing 6 lbs. 13 oz. This is Bill and Peggy's second son. They live in a new home at 1422 Wicks Lane in Billings Heights.

Six elk hunters were successful this fall. They were Jerry Loran, Jerry Helzer, Ken Bowersox, Pat Gerrells, Norm Gutcher and Dave Holmberg, who all returned home with elk, while George Hein is polishing his rifle and last year's elk horns as yet. One special area left?

Division Engineer C. W. Klimper and family will vacation in Disneyland this year.

Norman Gutcher planned a Christmas trip to the Portland, Oregon area. Norm, his wife, Betty and children were together for the very short holiday trip.

William F. Woolston, chief-field maintenance bureau, and his wife, Peg are foster parents for the Blanks children of Miles City. Duncan Blanks is living with the Woolstons at present and will be joined by his sister after the holidays. The Blanks children were orphaned after their parents were fatally injured in an automobile accident this fall.

Bill Woolston's son, Don and his wife are home for Christmas. Don is in the Army and is stationed in Texas. The Army life agrees with him: said Bill, "the kid looks great!"

Paul Johnson, former state highway engineer, visited the Billings office in December. Paul and Mrs. Johnson will be going on an extended tour of Hawaii for several weeks and will winter in California and Arizona on returning to the mainland.

Walter Ward, former Billings designer also visited the office in December. Walt and Margaret may, if the weather gets cold, go to Arizona again this winter. Walt said Milo Lahn and his wife are in Arizona now and the prospect of playing golf with Milo is tempting. Better pack up, Margaret, it looks as if a trip to Arizona and California is in order.

A Design Seminar for Improved Inlets for Highway Culverts was held in the Student Union building at Montana State University in Bozeman for Department of Highway personnel from Billings, Butte, Bozeman and Livingston. The program was sponsored by the Office of Engineering, Federal Highway Administration, and included two sessions of slides and lectures and a hydraulic demonstration in the lab.

Those attending were Div. Supervisor-Construction Section C. W. Klimper; Manager-Field Project Units Ken Bowersox, Ken Hartman, John Miner, Robert Ewing; Office Engineers Joe Gallagher and Cliff Dunn; and Designer Jim Young.

This is a picture of Billings' very own "Rudy" complete with red nose and all.



Rudy

Glendive

Nancy Siegle

The 13th Annual Highway Christmas party was held at the Montana Inn on December 2. There was a good turnout this year and everyone seemed to be enjoying himself. A cocktail hour got the evening off. Following this fun-filled hour, a delicious turkey dinner was consumed, and then dancing. Many contractors and their wives attended.

Radio Engineer Art Gehmert's son had a bad motorcycle accident this fall when he was riding as a passenger and was hit by a car. He spent several weeks in the hospital with a broken leg and also a couple weeks at home. He is now back in school and recovering real well.

Jack Riley spent nearly a month vacationing in sunny California. He visited a son and sister and returned after Christmas.

Harold Henderson, supervisor-maintenance section in Sidney has retired after 30 years service to the highway department. Elmer Liebelt, maintenance supervisor from Flowing Wells has replaced Harold, and Donald Dann, Circle, has replaced Elmer in Flowing Wells.

Larry Maier, truck driver, has also been transferred. He moved his wife and two children and will fill a vacancy in Terry.

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Great Falls

Ciel Tinelli

The most fun thing that happened around our department lately was our Christmas party, held at the Anaconda Club, December 9th. We danced to Don Moe and his band, ate a prime-rib dinner that couldn't be beat and all of the gals were dressed



Mae and Ben Briscoe, Helen and Charlie Heber, Ralph and Irene Sherman

so pretty, it was very festive; the thousands of Christmas lights on Smelter Hill helped add to the spirit of the party. Clyde Foster, Harold Spilde and John Mital won hams and other liquid goodies. Then we looked forward to the "Bull Gang Party," December 22nd held at the Saddle Club. This is the one that we go to right from work, just as we are, boots, slacks, and overalls, eat to our hearts content and schottische the night away to the music of a brave little portable stereo.

The first casualty of the big snow storm left Nick Tomaskie with a broken arm, again, and George Paul with a few cracked ribs. Both recuperating nicely and back to work.

Our sympathy is extended to Norma Lawrence of our R/W department whose father passed away and to Henning Kaldor of Dutton whose wife Edith died the second week in December.

Found out that Arley Wiseman has a 1931 Model A. It belongs in his family, looks just like new and even has some of the original paint. It is the cutest thing on four wheels and I have a ride promised as soon as it can be taken out of winter storage. Mario

Andretti better look out, our own Dennis Higbee will give him a run for his money. Dennis is another good stock-car racer; seems we have a few. Frank Morgan at Augusta has a hard time reporting the wind velocity since Swede Erickson took his chain with him when he retired. Swede used to say it was blowing so hard the chain was standing straight out!

Missoula

Clara Neely

A large crowd gathered in the local Moose Club on December 8th for the annual Christmas party, with many of them coming from as far away as Saltese—in subzero temperatures, no less. A good time was had by all.

Jim Smith has returned to work after having been severely injured and burned when his pickup truck caught fire, struck a guard rail, and rolled over near Huson on October 27th. Jim was pulled from the burning wreckage about 10 seconds before the truck exploded. Since returning to work, he has been notified of his appointment to the Board of Directors of the Missoula Federal Credit Union.



Thompson

Russell Thompson, office manager with more than 30 years of service, retired from the Department November 27th, because of disability. Lowell Smith has replaced Russ.

We wish to extend our sympathy to the Lohn family in the loss of Dwight's father.

Cindy Leigland, clerk-typist 2, chose Thanksgiving Day for changing her name to Brown. Congratulations to the lucky fellow and best wishes for you, Cindy.



Bill Nelson, Clara Neely, Glenn Gates, Paul Love, Fred Holland and Bill Blake.

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Fifteen-year awards and certificates were recently presented to Fred Holland and William J. Nelson, and 20-year awards to Glenn Gates and Clara Neely. The presentations were made during the safety meeting at the American Legion Club on November 8th.

Lois Baker, immediate past president of Big Sky Chapter No. 45, American Right-of-Way Association, has been selected as right-of-way agent of the year by her chapter. She will now be a contestant for the regional right-of-way agent of the year, and also for the National award. Lois is at present a National director, and as such will attend the national seminar in Phoenix, Arizona in May.

Lewistown

Bea Knerr

Henry "Hank" Lengemann is retiring from the Department of Highways after 32 years of dedicated service. He plans to do a lot of traveling around the USA in his spare time.

Elmer Grosser accepted the sectionman position in the Winnett area to replace Hank, and Marvin Mosby moves into Elmer's spot. We are happy to have Marvin, his wife Betty and their three children join our "gang."

Our annual Christmas party was December 15th at the Bar Nineteen.

A new baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Don Kraftenberg on December 7. She joins a sister. Don is maintenanceman 2 in the River area. Congratulations.

Leona and Milo Lahn have pulled stakes and left this cold, cold country for a warmer climate again. They will spend the next four or five months in Rimrock, Arizona and come back next spring with a tan that we will all envy.

All engineer aides and summer help have left our fold for this year, but hope to see them back again come spring.

Notice to all women bowlers: The State Women's Bowling Tournament will be held in Lewistown starting March 24th and running through May 20th.

Great Falls Service Awards

Merit pins and certificates were awarded to 38 employees Friday, December 15th, for a total of 565 years of service. Cake and coffee was served.

Construction



Left to right, front row: Glen Arps, Thomas Hammerbacker, Robert Duty; middle row: Harry Strong, Donald Harrison, Rex Chamberlin, Gerald Mans; back row: George Davis, Jim Sullivan, Tony Tomich, Martin Brackney, Robert Ritter, Charles Stephens, Richard Gustovich, Gene Bruno, Floyd Grubb, Richard Fransen, and Larry Chezik. James ThorOUGHMAN—not pictured.

Maintenance



Left to right, front row: Delbert Busta, Cecelia Tinelli, Norma Lawrence of the R/W Dept.; middle row: Henning Kaldor, Donald Cooper, Arling Buskirk, John Mital; back row: Robert Stewart, Etsel Woolsey, Elmer Richards, Edward Hickel, Raymond Wiley, Edward Strainer and Clyde Foster. John Walker—not pictured.

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Miles City

Jean Sweeney

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Ed (Rose) Dorothy in the death of her mother who passed away October 8, 1972, in Dayton, Wyoming. Ed is instrumentman on Ray Garland's crew in the Miles City division.

Ed Dorothy, Sr., father of Ed Dorothy, is a whole lot better following recent surgery and a stay at Memorial Hospital at Roundup.

Sheraldine Dyba, wife of Jerry Dyba, instrumentman on Bob Swanson's crew, underwent surgery recently at a Miles City hospital and is convalescing nicely and is now at home.

Dick Hobbs, maintenanceman in the Miles City division has returned to work after four and one-half months of sick leave because of injuries sustained when his horse fell on him, breaking his leg badly.

Lloyd Elliott, shop foreman, has returned to work after taking a month's vacation in order to remodel a home he recently purchased.



Margy

Margy McRae, daughter of Don and Ina McRae (division office engineer), won second place in the "Make-It-Yourself With Wool Contest" held recently in Miles City. This was a district contest and Margy's entry was a very lovely pant suit.

Kenny and Joyee Haughawout celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary recently with a dinner at the Crossroads Inn hosted by their daughter and husband, Cherie and Larry Cromwell of Missoula. Kenny is office manager in the Miles City division office. They were married November 22, 1947, at Butte.

Here is a copy of an article by Cynda Dodge-Ashland published in the Miles City Star:

Meanest Thief Reported This Hunting Season

Don May shot a trophy mule deer this year, the largest he has ever gotten. It was a real beauty, with six points on each side, the smallest points at least three to four inches long, and both sides of the rack well balanced. It had a 32-inch spread. He was understandably proud and hung the deer in a tree about 40 feet from the house where it was easily viewed from their picture window.

Don had planned to have the head mounted, but now will have to settle for some pictures he took. They got up one morning, looked out to admire the 188 lb. buck, to see the buck headless.

Someone was low enough to sneak up to the house when they were asleep, cut off that beautiful head and depart. Don may now be on the hunt for a new trophy, the head of a buck head thief.

Note: Don May is maintenanceman helper at Ashland, in the Miles City division.

You wouldn't believe that Babe Mickus, GVW scale supervisor! The way he has recovered from open-heart surgery is amazing. It is really good to see him doing so well. He is doing a lot of walking these days (doctor's orders). His favorite drink is grapefruit at the present time.

Adaughter was born to Jean and Roger Bundy (engineering aide II with Del Borer's crew) November 11. The little girl was born at 8:15 in the evening and they named her Misty Dawn. Can't imagine how they got the name but I think it is really cute.

Carl E. Turley, mechanic in the Miles City division has a hobby that he has become well-known for around Miles City. That is the art of cooking and with Carl, it is an ART OF PERFECTION. If any of you gals ever want to trade recipes with Carl, you will find all of his really good.

The highway department picnics in the Miles City division are really something with the ham that is generally served and most always cooked by Carl. You have never tasted any-

thing so good! He has his own recipe for cooking ham.



Turley

And then, those Elks breakfasts that are served once a month are so popular because of Carl's famous pancakes. He has every variety—strawberry, pineapple, blueberry — you name it and he makes them and they simply melt in your mouth.

Carl started work January 3, 1949, with the highway department and besides mechanic work, Carl does blacksmithing.

Carl also likes to hunt. He has two sons, one of whom is still living at home and going to school.

Don McRae left December 10 for San Diego, California, to visit his son Rodney at the Marine Corps depot. Rodney completed basic training with graduation exercises December 13, which Don attended. Thirty-years ago Don took his Marine Corps basic training in the same place, so he will be spending a few days looking over the area. On December 14, Don and Rodney departed by plane for Minneapolis to attend the wedding of Don's oldest son, and Rodney was best man for his brother. The rest of the McRae family traveled directly to Minneapolis from Miles City. Don is division office engineer III in the Miles City division.

Becky Bidwell, daughter of Roy and Lucille Bidwell (sectionman at Ashland), was married to Pat King the day after Thanksgiving, November 24, in Ashland. Father Pat of Ashland officiated at the ceremony. The young couple are making their home in Miles City where Pat is teaching at Custer County High School and Becky is attending Miles City Community College.

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Dr. Elliott, Fred Gedney, Lamb, Ray Riggs

Robert Ray Lamb, a member of the Elks Lodge in Miles City since 1947, won National recognition in the Elks and was presented with a Life Membership along with a beautiful plaque. The plaque reads: "In grateful recognition of his long and dedicated devotion to the fulfillment of the solemn pledge 'As long as there is a disabled veteran in our hospitals, the . . . Elks will never forget him.'" Bob has worked 20 years with the Elks Veterans Hospital Service, serving as co-chairman since 1962 and being named chairman in 1971 by the State Elks Association. He also has served many years on the Hides for Veterans project of the lodge. Bob is also a past exalted ruler of the Elks. He is maintenance foreman in the Miles City division.

Don and Marie Kalness were honored Saturday evening, November 11, with a surprise dinner party, the occasion being their 25th wedding anniversary. The affair was held in the Champagne room at the Crossroads Inn in Miles City, and was hosted by their two daughters and husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Gerry (Doris) Hiles of Great Falls and Mr. and Mrs. Ole (Linda) Thomsen of Miles City, and their son, Wayne Kalness.

Don and Marie were married in Miles City on November 7, 1947.

Attending the dinner party were Marie's five sisters, Mrs. Clare Dreu-

ter, Mrs. Ed Sherman and Mrs. Helen Williams, all of Miles City; Mrs. Margaret Chase of Buffalo, South Dakota; and Mrs. Agnes Bensley of Great Falls; and one brother, Gary Gunderson and his wife from Hettinger, North Dakota. Also attending were Don's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Kalness of Forsyth.

Don is maintenance foreman in the Miles City division.

Wolf Point

—Ollie Hauge—

Theodore N. Lee, working shop foreman in the Wolf Point division, stationed at Wolf Point, retired after 22 years of service with the Department. Ted joined our ranks as a mechanic in October of 1950, after serving approximately five years with the Roosevelt county forces. He worked in the capacity of mechanic until January of '56, at which time he became working shop foreman. Friday, December 1st was his last day of work and a coffee party was held in his honor. This date was also Ted's birthday, and Mr. Lee brought us a birthday cake to enjoy with him. A gift of silver was presented from the group along with an agate inlaid ashtray which was inscribed with his name and years of service with the Depart-



Ted Lee

ment. We wish him many happy years of retirement.

The Wolf Point Christmas party was held at the local Elks Club on December 16th. The reservations rolled in and there was a real good turnout. If it's cold weather and snow that is needed to awaken our Christmas spirits—we should really have a gay holiday season.

Duane "Dewey" Novakovich has returned to the Wolf Point division after working on a construction project in the Glendive division for a few weeks. He was singing, "I'll Be Home for Christmas."

Letter to the Editor

Gentlemen:

I wanted to let you know that our trip through Montana, this last summer, was our first visit to your state. We enjoyed it very much.

Due to my business I have had the opportunity to return to Montana twice in December.

I want to thank you for the nice letter received from Lisa Conger, highway hostess. I know people appreciate your taking the time to write this type of letter.

If any of the various departments have a mailing list, such as maps, vacation spots to visit, etc., I would like to place my name on this list.

We hope to return and visit your beautiful state.

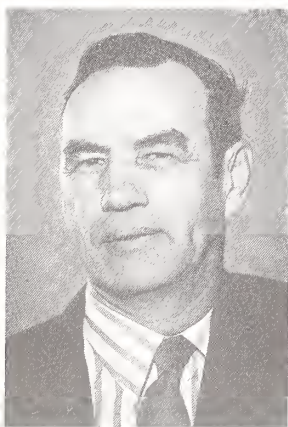
Yours very truly,
Keith W. Green

WITH THE DIVISIONS

Helena—Hdq.

—Bev Gibson—

Two long time employees were honored for having completed 25 years of service. They are Frank W. Van Winkle, designer 2 in road plans, and George R. Knapp, engineering technician 2 in the planning and research bureau. "Rip" Van Winkle attended Helena High School and Montana State University. He joined



Van Winkle

the highway department in 1947 as a project supervisor in Planning Survey. In 1950 he was transferred to the road plans section as a detailer. He was promoted to designer in 1956 and designer 2 in 1968.

George Knapp served in the Army quartermaster corps during World War II. He came to work for the department in 1947 as a laborer in planning survey. In 1948 he transferred to Miles City division as a chairman in construction, and in 1949

he returned to Helena as a draftsman. He was promoted to project director 1 in 1965 in charge of the new Sufficiency Rating Section. In 1969 his title was changed to engineering technician 2 and he added duties of supervising the accident studies and assisting the mapping director with the special studies section.

Airman First Class Larry E. Steck, son of Phyllis Ziemer, communications section, is on duty at Korot Royal Thai AFB, Thailand.

Jan Magnus of project control had further surgery on her hip in Seattle and is getting along fine now.

The Helena headquarters' Christmas party was held December 16th at the Civic Center. John Dahl

Knapp



(GVW) and his committee arranged a fine time for over 300 employees and dates, who danced to the music of Kelly Campbell's orchestra (Johnny Campbell, painter, claims this musician as his wife.)

Presents Pin



Shown here is Buck Finley, GVW scale supervisor, presenting Hugh Clinton, scaleman at Bozeman, with

his 25-year-pin and certificate. Congratulations, Hugh and hope you spend many more years with GVW!

Remember When

Remember when HIPPIE meant big in the hips?
 When a TRIP involved travel by cars, planes, or ships?
 When SOUL was a man's spirit, one hears of in church?
 And ACTION was movement, a start or a lurch?
 When POT was a vessel for cooking things in?
 And HOOKED was what Grand-mother's rug might have been?
 When NEAT meant well organized, tidy and clean.
 And GRASS was ground cover, normally green?
 When LIGHTS, and not people were TURNED ON AND OFF,
 And the PILL might have been what you took for a cough?
 When GROOVY meant furrowed with ridges and hollows,
 And BIRDS were winged creatures, like robins and swallows?
 When FUZZ was a substance that's fluffy, like lint,
 And BREAD came from bakeries, and not from the mint?
 When SQUARE meant a 90 degree angled form,
 When COOL was a temperature, not quite warm?
 When ROLL was a bun, and ROCK was a stone,
 And HANG UP was something you did to a phone?
 When SWINGER was someone who swung in a swing,
 And PAD was a soft, sort of cushiony thing?
 When WAY OUT meant distant and far, far away,
 And CAT was a feline, a pet or a stray?
 When DIG meant to shovel or spade in the dirt,
 And PUT ON was what you would do to a shirt?
 When TOUGH described meat too unyielding to chew?
 And MAKING A SCENE was a rude thing to do?
 Words once so sensible, sober and serious
 Have now FREAKED OUT, MAN, LIKE THEY'RE PSYCHEDELICIOUS!

—From a Helena Church Sunday Bulletin